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## \*COVID-19 UPDATE\*

Since Friday, March 19, 81 Residents have Tested Positive, 44 More have Recovered, and City Learns of Two New Fatalities Associated with COVID-19;

Weekly Food Resource Guide;

Reminder: Free Drive-through and Walk-up COVID-19 Testing Available in Framingham at the State's Project Beacon Site;

Reminder - Community Hour Tuesday - What the American Rescue Plan Means for Framingham; Health Department to Distribute Demographic COVID-19 and Vaccination Data Tuesday Morning

- Since Friday, March 19, 81 residents have tested positive, 44 more have recovered, and the City learns of two new fatalities associated with COVID-19: The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is 7,309. With 5,668 recovered and 236 fatalities, Framingham currently has 1,405 active cases. The Framingham Health Department contacts the people who were potentially exposed and the owners of the businesses or places of employment where the potential exposures occurred to inform and counsel them on next steps (contact tracing). In addition to the active cases, the Health Department is following 564 residents in quarantine.
- **Weekly food resource guide:** To better manage the food demand, Framingham's Emergency Food Line's coordinators have developed a weekly guide about residents' food availability. View this week's guide in English, Portuguese, and Spanish, here.
- Reminder: Free Drive-through and Walk-up COVID-19 Testing Available in Framingham at the
  State's Project Beacon Site: Testing is free and available to all Massachusetts residents by
  appointment only. Click <a href="here">here</a> to register for an appointment. Please remember to wash your
  hands, practice social distancing, and wear a face covering to reduce COVID-19 transmission.
- Reminder Community Hour Tuesday, March 23, at 5 p.m. What the American Rescue Plan means for Framingham: Recovery begins and ends at the local level, and the American Rescue Plan will lift up Cities and Towns by providing support and direct financial assistance. Join Mayor Yvonne M. Spicer and Chief Financial Officer Mary Ellen Kelley to discuss how the American Rescue Plan will benefit the City. Attendees will be able to pose questions during the hour via Zoom's Chat function. If you cannot attend and have questions, please email <a href="mailto:kmcfalls@framinghamma.gov">kmcfalls@framinghamma.gov</a> with the subject line: March 23 Community Hour. Click <a href="mailto:here">here</a> for information on how to join. A video recording of the Zoom will be available following for those who cannot attend.